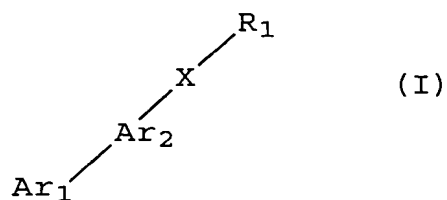


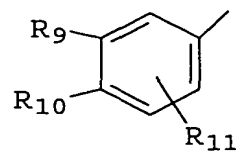
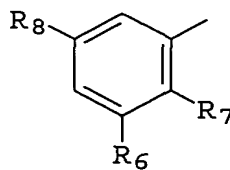
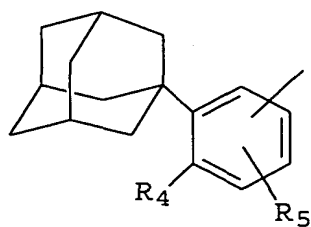
BICYCLIC AROMATIC COMPOUNDS
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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

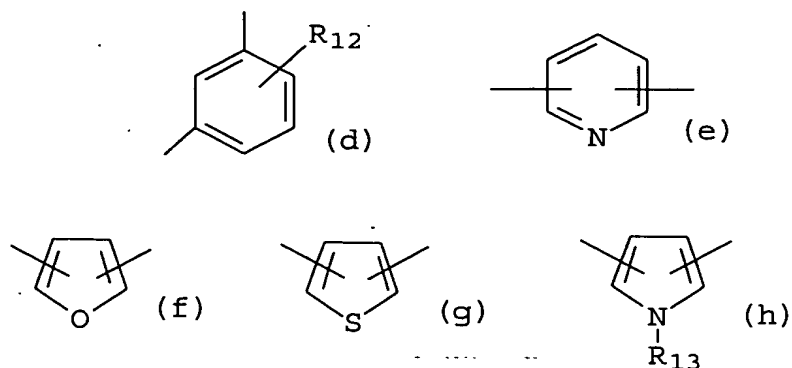
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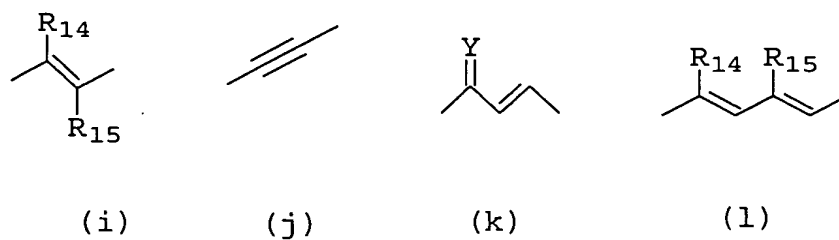
in which Ar₁ is a radical having one of the structural formulae (a) - (c):



Ar₂ is a radical having one of the following formulae (d) - (h):



and X is a radical having one of the following formulae (i) - (l):



and are useful for the treatment of a wide variety of disease states, whether human or veterinary, for example dermatological, rheumatic, respiratory, cardiovascular and ophthalmological disorders, as well as for the treatment of mammalian skin and hair conditions/disorders.